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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Responsive to communication(s) filed on <u>9/16/02</u> .		
<input type="checkbox"/> This action is FINAL.		
<input type="checkbox"/> Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under <i>Ex parte Quayle</i> , 1935 C.D. 1 1; 453 O.G. 213.		
Disposition of Claims		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Claim(s) <u>2, 5-10</u> is/are pending in the application.		
Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.		
<input type="checkbox"/> Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Claim(s) <u>2, 5-10</u> is/are rejected.		
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Application Papers		
<input type="checkbox"/> See the attached Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948.		
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Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 (a)-(d)		
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Claims 2, 5-10 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

In claim 2 at 99.5% ethyl cellulose and 0.5% triblock polymer there is 0% organic solvent.

No claims allowed.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Edward Webman whose telephone number is 308-4432. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday 9am-5pm.

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